

# Data Reliability Assessment Tool: Main Heating Expenditures

## Assessment #2 – Collecting Data

Assessment #2 looks at whether you are requesting and collecting data from the required number of main heating fuel vendors. OCS requires all LIHEAP grantees to obtain data from at least five electric vendors, five natural gas vendors, five fuel oil vendors, and five propane vendors.

Before you begin Assessment #2, you will need to obtain the following data items:

➤ **Number of Vendors Serving LIHEAP Households:**

- A count of the number of vendors that receive LIHEAP benefits on behalf of your electric, natural gas, fuel oil, and propane households.
- **Request this information from your IT department.**

➤ **Number of Vendors to Whom Your Office Sent a Data Request.**

- A count of the number of electric, natural gas, fuel oil, and propane vendors from whom your office requested main heating expenditure data for LIHEAP households.
- **Request this information from your IT department.**

➤ **Number of Vendors Reporting Data for LIHEAP Households:**

- A count of the number of vendors that complied with your request and reported main heating billing data back to you.
- **Request this information from your IT department.**